



Garden Development and Maintenance Work Placement

Title	Gardens and Site Maintenance
Where/Project/Team	Richmond Fellowship and Health & Social Care Programme 8 week programme, Tuesdays 09:30 – 15:30
Purpose of the role	<p>Windmill Hill City Farm provides opportunities for people without a garden, families and schools and encourages them to take part in food growing, farming and other outdoor activities.</p> <p>In partnership with the Richmond Fellowship and as part of Bristol Mental Health Employment Service (BMHES), we are running an 8 week Garden Placement for individuals who have experienced a mental health challenge. The placement covers a range of garden and maintenance activities. We are looking for individuals to join the placement and develop the Community Gardens at Windmill Hill City Farm into a beautiful and productive space where people can grow and thrive.</p> <p>On the placement, you will maintain and develop garden areas so they can be used for gardening and food growing activities. Through participation in the placement you will learn a range of gardening and site maintenance skills in a working environment.</p>
Main activities/ tasks	<p>Harvesting and Production</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Propagation – Seed sowing, greenhouse work, watering • Garden Maintenance – Planting, weeding, design • Harvesting - Pick, weigh, record, and deliver garden produce to the café. <p>Garden maintenance and infrastructure development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Garden development - developing areas of the garden to be used by groups e.g. children’s garden, wildlife area. • Ground maintenance – mowing, strimming, edging • Site maintenance – paths, fencing, fixing <p>Resources maintenance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organise and clean pots, tools and resources.



	Information on careers in gardening
Support and training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initial induction and goal setting • Regular supervision, support and training where appropriate to develop your own skills base in the areas you would like to focus on. • Employment support drop-ins with the opportunity to discuss next steps to employment. <p>The role will provide you with the opportunity to learn a range of skills related to gardening and maintenance, give something back to the community, and develop the valuable work of the Farm.</p>
Desirable Skills, Experience and Qualities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interest in developing a career in gardening or site maintenance. • Some previous experience of gardening. • Some basic horticulture skills and knowledge. • Ability to work independently to complete tasks. • Ability to be part of a team and work with others to complete tasks. • Able to take own initiative. <p>This is an ideal role for someone who would like to increase their horticultural and gardening experience and likes working outdoors in all weather.</p>
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